#### BELMONT'S VISION STATEMENT

Adopted by the Belmont City Council on October 14, 2003

### **Distinctive Community Character**

- Belmont prides itself on being unique.
- Its small-town ambience sets it apart as a tranquil, safe, and desirable place to live.
- We get involved in town matters because we care about living here.
- We connect with each other in all kinds of gathering places.
- Our strong sense of community and enjoyment of the town's assets and activities deepen as we become better informed and connected.

#### Natural Beauty

- We choose to make our home among these beautiful hills, trees, parks, views, and open spaces.
- Our natural surroundings inspire us to play, create, and contemplate.
- Our actions today preserve and enhance Belmont's beauty to make it even lovelier for our grandchildren.
- Our wooded residential areas are diverse, peaceful and well maintained.

## Thriving Culture

- Belmont is a wonderfully safe and supportive place to raise a family.
- We facilitate lifelong learning in our academic, artistic, athletic, and social dimensions.
- Our schools and library are the pride of the community.
- Our university is intrinsic to Belmont's social, artistic and economic life.
- Our playgrounds and athletic fields are of high quality and in high gear.
- The arts thrive in this creative, appreciative town -- the arts hub of the Peninsula.
- Our history makes Belmont what it is, and we preserve that heritage for our children.

# Thriving Economy

- A charming, vibrant town center is the heart of our civic and economic life.
- Our economy prospers with a mix of attractive, successful businesses that fit with our community character.
- We look first in our own shops and restaurants for what we need.
- Education, arts and the economy flourish in concert.

# Easy Mobility

- We put a priority on getting out of, into, and through town efficiently.
- Bicyclists, walkers, and other nondrivers get where they're going easily and safely.
- We require safe residential streets and smooth-flowing thoroughfares.